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1. ALTHOUGH INITIAL IMPLEMENTATION OF "SEARCH" CAMPAIGN CAUSED MUCH CONFUSION YESTERDAY, CITY HAS BASICALLY BUSINESS-AS-USUAL APPEARANCE TODAY. EVENING MAR 23 MOST ADDIS STREETS DESERTED BY 7:30 P.M., BUT SHOOTING HEARD IN MANY PARTS OF CITY THROUGHOUT NIGHT.

2. ACCORDING TO ETHIOPIAN MEDIA, FIRST DAY'S SEARCHES RESULTED IN SEIZURE OF 4,000 WEAPONS, KILLING OF AT LEAST FIVE ANARCHISTS AND WOUNDING OF TWO OTHERS. DISORDERLY ROAD BLOCKS WHICH CAUSED LARGE TRAFFIC JAMS PREVIOUS DAY HAVE EITHER DISAPPEARED OR IMPROVED AND KEBELE DEFENSE COMMITTEES BEGINNING TO ADOPT MORE CASUAL AND CORDIAL MANNER. EMB UNAWARE OF ANY DIPLOMAT'S RESIDENCES HAVING BEEN SEARCHED SO FAR, ALTHOUGH SOME DIPLOMATIC VEHICLES STILL BEING
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HALTED FOR SEARCHES. DIP COMMUNITY BELIEVES MOFA INSPRED INSTRUCTIONS HAVE FILTERED DOWN TO ALMOST ALL SEARCH TEAMS. IN CASES WHERE NON-OFFICIAL AMERICANS HAVE BEEN SEARCHED, SEARCH TEMS ACTED PROPERLY, LOOKING ONLY FOR ILLEGAL WEAPONS AND NOT DISTURBING OR CONFISCATING OTHER POSSESSIONS, UNLIKE SOME ITALIANS WHO HAVE LOST MONEY, CAMERAS

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AND BINOCULARS. ONE AMERICAN MISSIONARY HAS BEEN ARRESTED BY KEBELE OFFICIALS, HOWEVER, APPARENTLY FOR ALLEGEDLY HOARDING GASOLINE. CONS OFF HAS HAD ACCESS AND DETAILS WILL BE REPORTED SEPTEL.
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